A **simile** (pronounced: SIM-uh-lee) is a figure of speech that compares two things that are not normally alike. Many similes use the words *like* or *as*. How many similes are in this poem?

**Similes**

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Black as words on printed pages.
Sad like tigers locked in cages.
Long as thread unrolled from spools.
Straight like legs on wooden stools.
Quiet as a school at night.
Happy like a bird in flight.
Tight as fuzzy skin on peaches.
White like dunes of sand on beaches.
Cold as scoops of frozen peas.
Fun like writing similes.
Similes

Complete these similes. Use your creativity. Try to write four or more words on each line.

happy as _____________________________________________________________
dark as _______________________________________________________________
smart as ______________________________________________________________

Write a simile about a friend.

My friend ____________________________ is as ____________________________
as ____________________________________________________________________.

Write a simile about your teacher.

My teacher, ________________________, is as _____________________________
as ____________________________________________________________________.

Write a simile about an animal.

_____________________________________ is as _____________________________
as ____________________________________________________________________.

Write a simile about your favorite food.

_____________________________________ is as ______________________________
as ______________________________________________________________________.